# Quickstart to torchdyn %

torchdyn is a PyTorch library dedicated to neural differential equations and equilibrium models.

Central to the torchdyn approach are continuous and implicit neural networks, where *depth* is taken to its infinite limit.

This notebook serves as a gentle introduction to NeuralODE, concluding with a small overview of torchdyn features.

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[1]: from torchdyn.core import NeuralODE
    from torchdyn.datasets import *
    from torchdyn import *

%load_ext autoreload
%autoreload 2

[2]: # quick run for automated notebook validation
    dry_run = False
```

# Generate data from a static toy dataset

We'll be generating data from toy datasets. In torchdyn, we provide a wide range of datasets often use to benchmark and understand Neural ODEs. Here we will use the classic moons dataset and train a Neural ODE for binary classification

```
[3]: d = ToyDataset()
X, yn = d.generate(n_samples=512, noise=1e-1, dataset_type='moons')

[4]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    colors = ['orange', 'blue']
    fig = plt.figure(figsize=(3,3))
    ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
    for i in range(len(X)):
        ax.scatter(X[i,0], X[i,1], s=1, color=colors[yn[i].int()])

100
    0.75
    0.50
    0.25
    -0.50
    -0.25
    -0.50
```

Generated data can be easily loaded in the dataloader with standard PyTorch calls

```
[5]: import torch
import torch.utils.data as data
device = torch.device("cpu") # all of this works in GPU as well :)

X_train = torch.Tensor(X).to(device)
y_train = torch.LongTensor(yn.long()).to(device)
train = data.TensorDataset(X_train, y_train)
trainloader = data.DataLoader(train, batch_size=len(X), shuffle=True)
```

We utilize Pytorch Lightning to handle training loops, logging and general bookkeeping. This allows torchdyn and Neural Differential Equations to have access to modern best practices for training and experiment reproducibility.

In particular, we combine modular torchdyn models with LightningModules via a Learner class:

```
[6]: import torch.nn as nn
import pytorch_lightning as pl

class Learner(pl.LightningModule):
    def __init__(self, t_span:torch.Tensor, model:nn.Module):
        super().__init__()
        self.model, self.t_span = model, t_span

def forward(self, x):
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return self.model(x)

def training_step(self, batch, batch_idx):
    x, y = batch
    t_eval, y_hat = self.model(x, t_span)
    y_hat = y_hat[-1] # select last point of solution trajectory
    loss = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()(y_hat, y)
    return {'loss': loss}

def configure_optimizers(self):
    return torch.optim.Adam(self.model.parameters(), lr=0.01)

def train_dataloader(self):
    return trainloader
```

### Define a Neural ODE

Analogously to most forward neural models we want to realize a map

$$x\mapsto \hat{y}$$

where  $\hat{y}$  becomes the best approximation of a true output y given an input x. In torchdyn you can define very simple Neural ODE models of the form

$$\begin{cases} \dot{z}(t) = f(z(t), \theta) \\ z(0) = x & t \in [0, 1] \\ \hat{y} = z(1) \end{cases}$$

by just specifying a neural network f and giving some simple settings.

Note: This Neural ODE model is of depth-invariant type as neither f explicitly depend on s nor the parameters  $\theta$  are depth-varying. Together with their depth-variant counterpart with s concatenated in the vector field was first proposed and implemented by [Chen T. Q. et al, 2018]

# Define the vector field (DEFunc)

The first step is to define any PyTorch [torch.nn.Module]. This takes the role of the Neural ODE vector field  $f(h,\theta)$ 

In this case we chose f to be a simple MLP with one hidden layer and anh activation

#### Define the NeuralDE

The final step to define a Neural ODE is to instantiate the torchdyn's class NeuralDE passing some customization arguments and filtself.

In this case we specify: \* we compute backward gradients with the <code>['adjoint']</code> method. \* we will use the <code>['dopri5']</code> (Dormand-Prince) ODE solver from <code>torchdyn</code>, with no additional options;

```
[17]: model = NeuralODE(f, sensitivity='adjoint', solver='dopri5').to(device)

Your vector field callable (nn.Module) should have both time 't' and state 'x' as arguments, we've wrapped it for you.
```

# Train the Model

With the same forward method of |NeuralDE| objects you can quickly evaluate the entire trajectory of each data point in  $|X_train|$  on an interval  $|t_span|$ 

```
[18]: t_span = torch.linspace(0,1,100)
    t_eval, trajectory = model(X_train, t_span)
    trajectory = trajectory.detach().cpu()
```

The numerical method used to solve a Neuralone have great effect on its speed. Try retraining with the following

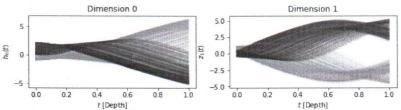
```
nn.Tanh(),
         nn.Linear(16, 2)
model = NeuralODE(f, sensitivity='adjoint', solver='rk4', solver_adjoint='dopri5',
atol_adjoint=1e-4, rtol_adjoint=1e-4).to(device)
learn = Learner(t_span, model)
if dry_run: trainer = pl.Trainer(min_epochs=1, max_epochs=1)
else: trainer = pl.Trainer(min_epochs=200, max_epochs=300)
trainer.fit(learn)
GPU available: True, used: False
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82
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Your vector field callable (nn.Module) should have both time 't' and state 'x' as arguments, we've wrapped it for you.
```

## **Plot the Training Results**

We can first plot the trajectories of the data points in the depth domain s

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[24]: t_eval, trajectory = model(X_train, t_span)
    trajectory = trajectory.detach().cpu()

[25]: color=['orange', 'blue']
    fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10,2))
    ax0 = fig.add_subplot(121)
    ax1 = fig.add_subplot(122)
    for i in range(500):
        ax0.plot(t_span, trajectory[:,i,0], color=color[int(yn[i])], alpha=.1);
        ax1.plot(t_span, trajectory[:,i,1], color=color[int(yn[i])], alpha=.1);
    ax0.set_xlabel(r"$t$ [Depth]") ; ax0.set_ylabel(r"$h_0(t)$")
    ax1.set_xlabel(r"$t$ [Depth]") ; ax1.set_ylabel(r"$z_1(t)$")
    ax0.set_title("Dimension 0") ; ax1.set_title("Dimension 1")
[25]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Dimension 1')
```

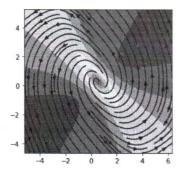


Then the trajectory in the state-space

As you can see, the Neural ODE steers the data-points into regions of null loss with a continuous flow in the depth domain. Finally, we can also plot the learned vector field  $\boldsymbol{f}$ 

```
[26]: # evaluate vector field
n_pts = 50
x = torch.linspace(trajectory[:,:,0].min(), trajectory[:,:,0].max(), n_pts)
y = torch.linspace(trajectory[:,:,1].min(), trajectory[:,:,1].max(), n_pts)
X, Y = torch.meshgrid(x, y) ; z = torch.cat([X.reshape(-1,1), Y.reshape(-1,1)], 1)
f = model.vf(0,z.to(device)).cpu().detach()
fx, fy = f[:,0], f[:,1]; fx, fy = fx.reshape(n_pts, n_pts), fy.reshape(n_pts, n_pts)
# plot vector field and its intensity
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(4, 4)); ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
ax.streamplot(X.numpy().T, Y.numpy().T, fx.numpy().T, fy.numpy().T, color='black')
ax.contourf(X.T, Y.T, torch.sqrt(fx.T**2+fy.T**2), cmap='RdYlBu')
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[26]: <matplotlib.contour.QuadContourSet at 0x7f11ed2d5e50>



Sweet! You trained your first Neural ODEs! Now you can proceed and learn about more advanced models with the next tutorials

# More about torchdyn

```
[46]: import time
from torchdyn.numerics import Euler, RungeKutta4, Tsitouras45, DormandPrince45, MSZero,
Euler, HyperEuler
from torchdyn.numerics import odeint, odeint_mshooting, Lorenz
from torchdyn.core import ODEProblem, MultipleShootingProblem
```

But wait! torchdyn has way more than Neuralobes. If you wish to solve generic differential equations parallelizable both in space (initial conditions) as well in time, with parallel, but do not need neural networks inside the vector field, you can use our functional API like so:

```
[47]: x0 = torch.randn(8, 3) + 15
       t_{span} = torch.linspace(0, 3, 2000)
      sys = Lorenz()
[48]: t0 = time.time()
      t_eval, accurate_sol = odeint(sys, x0, t_span, solver='dopri5', atol=1e-6, rtol=1e-6) accurate_sol_time = time.time() - t0
      t_eval, base_sol = odeint(sys, x0, t_span, solver='euler')
      base_sol_time = time.time() - t0
      t0 = time.time()
      t_eval, rk4_sol = odeint(sys, x0, t_span, solver='rk4')
      rk4_sol_time = time.time() - t0
      t0 = time.time()
      t_eval, dp5_low_sol = odeint(sys, x0, t_span, solver='dopri5', atol=1e-3, rtol=1e-3)
      dp5 low time = time.time() - t0
      t0 = time.time()
      t_eval, ms_sol = odeint_mshooting(sys, x0, t_span, solver='mszero', fine_steps=2,
      maxiter=4)
      ms_sol_time = time.time() - t0
```

Alternatively, you can wrap your vector field in a specific \*Problem to perform sensitivity analysis and optimize for terminal as well as integral objectives:

Our numerics suite includes other tools, such as a <code>odeint\_hybrid</code> for hybrid systems (potentially stochastic and multi-mode). We have built our numerics suite from the ground up to be compatible with hybridized methods such as hypersolvers, where a base solver works in tandem with neural approximators to increase accuracy while retaining improved extrapolation capabilities. In fact, these methods can be called from the same API:

hypersolver = HyperEuler(VanillaHyperNet(net))
t\_eval, sol = odeint(sys, x0, t\_span, solver=hypersolver) # note: this has to be trained!

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